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Life Says Khrushchev Wants His Articles to Help Party

Nikita S. Khrushchev, who was ousted as Soviet Premier in 1964, was described yesterday as having offered his reminiscences for publication to help improve the Soviet Communist party and to guide future generations, according to an announcement in Life magazine's issue dated Nov. 20.

The material is to be published in Life under the title, "Khrushchev Remembers," in its following four issues and as a 275,000-word book on Dec. 21 by Little, Brown & Company. It is to be presented entirely "in the first person," Life said.

Life published a statement

attributed to Mr. Khrushchev that said:

"I tell these stories because, unpleasant as they may be, they contribute to the self-purification of our party.

"What I say is not slander, and it's not malicious gossip. I speak as a man who stood for many years at Stalin's side.

"As a witness to those years, I address myself to the generations of the future in hope that they will avoid the mistakes of the past."

Time Inc., which owns both Life and the book company, continued to refuse to discuss the origin of the material. In Moscow, Mr. Khrushchev's wife

was quoted as having said on Nov. 7 that her husband had not written any memoirs.

The next day, the "remembrances" were described by Pierre Lazareff, publisher of France-Solr in Paris, which is to run excerpts, as recorded on

tapes in Mr. Khrushchev's voice.

The National Broadcasting Company in 1967 broadcast a program it said had been derived from about five hours of such recordings. Some sources said Time had obtained about 20 hours of tapes.

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